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**RESPONSE ACCOMPANYING RCE**

In response to the Advisory Action dated May 4, 2004 (Paper No. 0404), having a shortened statutory period for response set to expire June 24, 2004, please enter this response accompanying a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) and reconsider the claims pending in the application for reasons discussed below. Although Applicants believe that only excess claim fees are due with this response, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge counsel's Deposit Account No. 20-0782 for any fees, including extension of time fees, required to make this response timely and acceptable to the Office.

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